



President I. King Jordan and Linda Jordan greet faculty and staff at House One Dec. 9 for the annual Holiday Open House. The Jordans hosted student visitors on Dec. 8.

## 'Tis the season for slippery roads

The snow that dusted the Washington, D.C., area Dec. 10 heralded the unofficial arrival of winter. For commuters, it was also a signal for them to devise a strategy for the days when they have to maneuver icy streets.

In the event that a winter storm causes hazardous driving conditions, Gallaudet President I. King Jordan will make a decision on whether early departures or late arrivals for employees are warranted, if classes at Kendall Demonstration Elementary School should continue as usual, or if the University should be closed.

Dr. Jordan has said that he will make his decision as promptly as possible and make it accessible to the campus community via the University hotline. This recorded message can

be reached by calling x5656 (TDD) or x5000 (V/TDD). Because heavy use of both lines is expected on days of inclement weather, the Gallaudet community is urged to be patient if they find the lines tied-up.

In addition to the hotline service, broadcasts will be made on the following TV and radio stations:

- **TV stations:** WRC Channel 4, WJLA Channel 7, WUSA Channel 9, and WTTG Channel 5.

- **Radio stations:** WKYS 93.9 FM, WGAY 1050 AM and 99.5 FM, WRC 980 AM, WUST 1120 AM, WOL 1450 AM, WAVA 105 FM, WTOP 1500 AM, WMZQ 98.7 FM, WMAL 630 AM, WRQX 107 FM, WASH 97.1 FM, WGMS 570 AM, WPGC 950 AM, WBMW 106.7 FM, and WLIT 94.7 FM.



Henry Kisor, book editor and literary critic for the Chicago Sun-Times, chats with (from left) Gallaudet President I. King Jordan, Acting Dean of the School of Communication William Moses, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research Michael Karchmer, and Dean of College of Arts and Sciences Robert Williams at the President's Scholars Dinner Dec. 1, where Kisor was guest speaker. The 85 students honored at the event included senior Rita Giordano, who holds the record of being a President's Scholar for nine semesters.

## Doctor Chair adapts to American life; plans to develop deaf culture model

Several weeks into his term as Gallaudet's 1992-93 Powrie V. Doctor Chair of Deaf Studies, Nigel Patrick "Paddy" Ladd, the man whose goal is to develop a model of deaf culture, is experiencing some culture shock of his own.

As the first Doctor Chair from outside North America, Ladd is confronting American hearing culture, American deaf culture and language, and Gallaudet culture, not to mention the day-to-day incidentals such as the weather, the roads, and food.

"I wanted to buy one thing that was the same as in England, so I bought a Mars bar," said Ladd in a recent interview. "But when I opened it, inside it was different than at home."

But Ladd is not complaining. "It's a lot of adjusting, but I'm really happy to be here. It's great."

So far Ladd has found deaf people here more prepared to talk about deaf culture than deaf people in England, he said. He also is impressed with the collection of deafness-related groups around the Washington, D.C., area such as DeafPride, The Bicultural Center, and Black Deaf Advocates. The United States, he said, seems to be the center for empowerment in the deaf community. "Gallaudet is not the deaf world," he added. "This is the very, very top of the pyramid."

Nowhere in England or in Europe can deaf people find such a concentration of deaf individuals and organizations of deaf people, he said.

"Deaf people in London are just starting to network, to establish groups," Ladd said. "It will happen, but it hasn't yet."

However, Ladd thinks England's two television shows that are produced in sign language are more accessible to deaf people than the closed-caption shows of the United States because many deaf people do not read with ease.

Ladd is one of the founding members of the National Union of the Deaf in England, the Deaf Broadcasting Campaign, and the London Deaf Video Project. He has published many articles on deafness-related issues as well as co-produced and consulted on many video productions of and about deaf people.

Ladd said his work here "is to set up a model of how the deaf community can sit down and look at itself, analyze itself, and therefore understand itself better and proceed in a more unified way."

"A lot of work on deaf culture looks at the differences between deaf culture and hearing culture," he noted.

"I think that is a very necessary and very valuable first step, but then we have to look at our culture for ourselves." To explain this concept, Ladd gives the example of France and Germany. French people do not view their culture only in relation to German culture; they look at it as an entity in itself.

Further, Ladd will compare British deaf culture and American deaf culture.

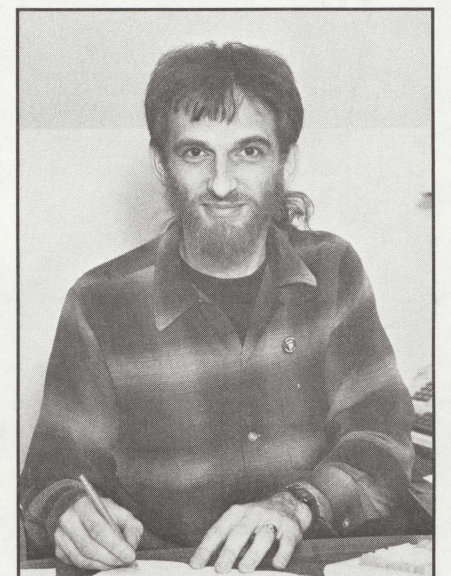
"We will not know which features can be said to be true of deaf culture in general and which are influenced by the national majority culture until we start to do comparative studies," he wrote in a recent National Association of the Deaf monograph.

To do this, Ladd is asking for input from many areas. He wants to talk with people about deaf culture, about African American hearing culture, Native American hearing culture, and other hearing cultural groups. He specifically wants to discuss the similarities and differences between deaf Americans' experiences in the United States today and the experiences of African or Native Americans.

Ladd also wants to examine African and Native American deaf and Latino deaf people's experiences in relation to the mainstream deaf culture. Finally, Ladd would like to speak with any American deaf people who have lived or visited with deaf communities in England and Europe to compare their experiences with his.

People who want to share their experiences with Ladd can contact him at x4417.

The Doctor Chair was established in memory of Dr. Powrie V. Doctor, a history professor at Gallaudet, and is administered by the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research.



Nigel Patrick "Paddy" Ladd





Audiology student Debra Norwood is congratulated for receiving a Project Enhance grant by (from left) Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Department Chair Stephen Lotterman, Graduate Studies and Research Dean Michael Karchmer, and School of Education and Human Services Dean David Martin. The grant supports United States minority students' studies in selected programs. (Not pictured are recipients Jasmine Russell, Educational Technology, and Denita Anderson, Parent-Infant Program.)

## Among Ourselves

Dr. Barry Bergen, assistant professor of history, presented a paper, "Education, Equality, and Feminism: the 1870 Women's Commission on Education Reform," Oct. 23 at the annual meeting of the Western Society for French History in Orcas Island, Wash.

Vivek Chaudhry, an assistant professor in the School of Management, was one of 65 participants at the "Workshop on Accounting Education" in Baltimore, Md., Oct. 2-3. The event, which was sponsored by the Houghton-Mifflin Company and hosted by *Accounting Instructors' Report* journal, was part of a national program to improve the teaching of accounting at the undergraduate level.

Dr. Debra Busacco, coordinator of the Lifelong Learning Institute, was awarded a certificate in gerontology from the Brookdale Center on Aging of Hunter College, City University of New York. Busacco also presented "Coping With Hearing and Vision Loss: Effects on the Individual" and "Community Education and Resource

Development" at "The Challenge to Independence: Access to Life Quality for Older Adults with Vision and Hearing Loss Conference" in Dallas, Texas, Nov. 5-7.

Dr. Paul Siegel, an associate professor in the Department of Communication Arts, has been named the 1992 winner of the Franklyn S. Haiman Award for Scholarship in Freedom of Expression by the Speech Communication Association. Siegel won the award for his essay, "Journalists examine their craft: Friend of the Court Briefs in Masson vs. *New Yorker*." The essay, which was published by the Southern Illinois University Press in its *Free Speech Yearbook*, scrutinizes an important Supreme Court libel decision.

Shawn Davies, managing editor in Pre-College Programs' Department of Curriculum and Evaluation, was a guest speaker and panelist at Madonna College in Livonia, Mich., Oct. 23-24 at a parent-teacher conference, "Deaf Children in Two Worlds: An Informative Workshop of Ideas."

Lita Aldridge, coordinator of the National Academy's Family Education Training Program, presented "Building Effective Parent Programs" at the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness in Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 17.



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## Announcements

The Student Health Service offers workshops for faculty, staff, and students on 13 topics, including safe sex, alcohol and other drugs, nutrition, and stress. For a list of topics and a workshop request form, E-mail HEALTH or call Jennifer Joseph, health educator, x5090.

Rosenthal Chevrolet, 3400 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Va., now has a number for TDD callers: (703) 553-6448.

The third national conference on deaf studies, "Deaf Studies III: Bridging Cultures in the 21st Century," sponsored by Gallaudet, will be held April 22-25 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Chicago, Ill. Topics include the implementation of deaf studies in school curricula, cultural diversity in schools and in the community, and the significance of new developments in linguistics. For more information, call Jacqueline Mann, x5733.

The Student Affairs Office wishes to alert faculty about new procedures for students who take a leave of absence (LOA) from the University. An LOA is automatically granted to students who are in good academic standing during the first four weeks of a semester. LOAs cannot extend beyond four semesters, including summer. With an LOA, students do not need to reapply or pay the \$35 application fee, but they must let the Office of Undergraduate Admissions know when they plan to return. Students who withdraw from the University need to apply for readmission. Undergraduates who leave Gallaudet and enroll at another college or university are considered to be 'withdrawn.' Students who plan to leave the University should see Norma Buemi, orientation programs coordinator, Ely Center, Room 113.

## Classified Ads

**Classified ads** are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail LMMCCONNELL. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received Dec. 12-24 will be published Jan. 11. Because of the winter holidays, *On the Green* will not be published Dec. 21, 28, or Jan. 4.

**FOR SALE:** High quality MGA VHS VCR, 2-wk. program timer, CATV 107 channel compatible w/remote, \$200. E-mail RBENNETT.

**FOR SALE:** Prodigy software for IBM AT/XT, PS/1, PS/2, Model 25, 30, and compatibles w/2400, 1200, 300 BPS data modem, internal half-card, and others, \$35. Call (301) 552-2687 (TDD) or E-mail BLRIGGS.

**FOR SALE:** '84 Nissan, 4-dr., like new interior/exterior, new tires, AM/FM radio, AC, smooth ride, inspected, must sell, \$1,889/BO; '85 Ford Escort, AM/FM radio, snow tires, no rust, \$1,489. Call Tanya, (301) 459-6647 (V/TDD) or E-mail TLLANDIS.

**WANTED:** Nonsmoking professional to rent spacious room in country house in Dunkirk, Md., kitchen and living room privileges, W/D, CAC, DW, must like pets and have own trans., \$450/mo. incl util. Call Gary, x6486 or (301) 855-6264 (TDD).

**FOR SALE:** PC with 286 CPU, 3 1/2- and 5 1/4-in. drives, amber monitor, and 512K RAM, \$375/BO. Call (301) 890-2752 (TDD).

**FOR RENT:** Two rooms in townhouse in Laurel, Md., to mature nonsmokers, no pets, \$215 and \$250/\$275 mo., plus 1/3 util. Call (301) 604-4190 (TDD) evens, weekends.

**FOR RENT:** Sublet private BR, Dec. 29-Jan. 24 w/furn., color TV w/decoder; rent private BR, avail. Jan. 1, \$210 plus 1/3 elec.; both share kitchen, W/D, 5-min. walk to Kendall Green. Call John, x3113 (TDD) or E-mail 11JMULHOLLAN.

**FOR SALE:** Serta mattress and box spring, like new, \$80/BO. Call John, x3113 (TDD) or E-mail 11JMULHOLLAN.

**FOR RENT:** Two rooms in house in Bowie, Md., full house privileges, to mature nonsmokers, must like cats, 25 min. to Kendall Green, must have own trans., \$275 and \$325/mo., plus 1/3 util. E-mail PLJO-HANSON.

**WANTED:** Tutor who can explain differences between English and ASL to MSSD junior. Call Joy Daley at home, (301) 498-4574 (V/TDD), or work, (410) 243-0082 (V).

**FOR RENT:** Room in furnished townhouse with backyard to mature nonsmoker, two blocks from Eastern Market, \$450/mo. incl. util. E-mail 11HREISMAN.

**FREE:** Male cat, grey and white striped, 1 1/2 yrs., neutered, healthy, will deliver to your home. Call Jesse, (202) 268-3457 (V) days, (703) 263-3148 (V) nights.

**WANTED:** Responsible people to rent three rooms (small, medium, and large basement) in Laurel, Md., townhouse, no pets. Call (301) 604-4190.

**FOR SALE:** Night table, dresser, headboard, \$80; Eureka wet/dry vacuum w/accessories, \$50; fall/winter dress suits (some Liz Claiborne), \$30. Call (301) 306-0424 (V/TDD), or E-mail EMROBBINS or KHALL.

**FOR SALE:** Texas Instruments Postscript Microlaser printer, 35 fonts, exc. cond., \$750/BO. Call x5613 or E-mail NSWILLIAMS.

## Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

PROGRAM SUPERVISOR: Pre-College Residence Education

ACCOUNTING CLERK: Accounting Office

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY: Social Work Department



KDES Younger Playroom students and staff gather with artists from Phi Kappa Zeta in front of one of the Disney murals that the sorority sisters painted for their enjoyment.